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AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR
THE DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION, AND RELATED
AGENCIES

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

THE APPROVAL OF \$50,000,000 IN EMERGENCY FUNDS TO THE DE-
PARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDU-
CATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES, PURSUANT TO PUB. L. 99-
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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, August 14, 1998.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: In accordance with provisions of Public Law 105-78, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1998, I hereby make available appropriations of \$50,000,000 in budget authority for the Department of Health and Human Services' Low Income Energy Assistance Program. These funds will enable the Department to continue to support the needs of States in the South and Southwest that are suffering from extremely hot weather conditions. These funds are in addition to the \$100,000,000 that I made available on July 23rd to support these emergency needs.

I designate the \$50,000,000 made available today as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Enclosure.



THE DIRECTOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

August 12, 1998

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The Honorable Newt Gingrich
Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Executive Order 11845, I am transmitting the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals. This report is required by Section 1014(e) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974. In accordance with the Act, the report is being transmitted concurrently to the Senate and will be published in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

G. Edward Lew
for

Jacob J. Lew
Director

Enclosure

Identical Letter Sent to the President of the Senate

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
CUMULATIVE REPORT ON RESCISSIONS AND DEFERRALS

August 1, 1998

This report is submitted in fulfillment of the requirement of Section 1014(e) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-344). Section 1014(e) requires a monthly report listing all budget authority for the current fiscal year for which, as of the first day of the month, a special message had been transmitted to Congress.

This report gives the status, as of August 1, 1998, of 25 rescission proposals and eight deferrals contained in three special messages for FY 1998. These messages were transmitted to Congress on February 3, February 20, and July 24, 1998.

Rescissions (Attachments A and C)

As of August 1, 1998, 25 rescission proposals totaling \$25 million had been transmitted to the Congress. Congress approved 21 of the Administration's rescission proposals in P.L. 105-174. A total of \$17.3 million of the rescissions proposed by the President was rescinded by that measure. Attachment C shows the status of the FY 1998 rescission proposals.

Deferrals (Attachments B and D)

As of August 1, 1998, \$2,449 million in budget authority was being deferred from obligation. Attachment D shows the status of each deferral reported during FY 1998.

Information from Special Messages

The special messages containing information on the rescission proposals and deferrals that are covered by this cumulative report are printed in the editions of the Federal Register cited below:

63 FR 7004, Wednesday, February 11, 1998
63 FR 10076, Friday, February 27, 1998
63 FR 41303, Monday, August 3, 1998

Attachments

ATTACHMENT A**STATUS OF FY 1998 RESCISSIONS**
(in millions of dollars)

	<u>Budgetary Resources</u>
Rescissions proposed by the President	25.3
Rejected by the Congress	---
Amounts rescinded by P.L. 105-174, the FY 1998 Supplemental Appropriations and Rescissions Act	-17.3
Currently before the Congress	<u>8.0</u>

ATTACHMENT B**STATUS OF FY 1998 DEFERRALS**
(in millions of dollars)

	<u>Budgetary Resources</u>
Deferrals proposed by the President	4,833.0
Routine Executive releases through August 1, 1998 (OMB/Agency releases of \$2,384.1 million, partially offset by cumulative positive adjustment of \$0.3 million)	-2,383.8
Overturned by the Congress	---
Currently before the Congress	<u>2,449.2</u>

ATTACHMENT C
Status of FY 1998 Rescission Proposals - As of August 1, 1998
(Amounts in thousands of dollars)

Agency/Bureau/Account	Rescission Number	Amounts Pending Before Congress		Date of Message	Previously Withheld and Made Available	Date Made Available	Amount Rescinded	Congressional Action
		Less than 45 days	More than 45 days					
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE								
Agricultural Research Service								
Agricultural Research Service	R88-1		223	2-20-98	223	4-28-98	223	P.L. 105-174
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service								
Salaries and expenses	R88-2		350	2-20-98	350	4-28-98	350	P.L. 105-174
Food Safety and Inspection Service								
Salaries and expenses	R88-3		502	2-20-98	502	4-28-98	502	P.L. 105-174
Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration								
Salaries and expenses	R88-4		38	2-20-98	38	4-28-98	38	P.L. 105-174
Agricultural Marketing Service								
Marketing services	R88-5		25	2-20-98	25	4-28-98	25	P.L. 105-174
Farm Service Agency								
Salaries and expenses	R88-6		1,080	2-20-98	1,080	4-28-98	1,080	P.L. 105-174
Natural Resources Conservation Service								
Conservation operations	R88-7		378	2-20-98	378	4-28-98	378	P.L. 105-174
Rural Housing Service								
Salaries and expenses	R88-8		846	2-20-98	846	4-28-98	846	P.L. 105-174
Food and Nutrition Service								
Child nutrition programs	R88-9		114	2-20-98	114	4-28-98	114	P.L. 105-174
Forest Service								
National forest systems	R88-10		1,084	2-20-98	1,084	4-28-98	1,084	P.L. 105-174
Reconstruction and construction	R88-11		30	2-20-98	30	4-28-98	30	P.L. 105-174
Forest and rangeland research	R88-12		148	2-20-98	148	4-28-98	148	P.L. 105-174
State and private forestry	R88-13		59	2-20-98	59	4-28-98	59	P.L. 105-174
Wildland fire management	R88-14		148	2-20-98	148	4-28-98	148	P.L. 105-174

ATTACHMENT C
Status of FY 1998 Reconciliation Proposals - As of August 1, 1998
 (Amounts in thousands of dollars)

Agency/Bureau/Account	Reconciliation Number	Amounts Pending Before Congress Less Than 45 days	More Than 45 days	Date of Message	Previously Withheld and Made Available	Date Made Available	Amount Rescinded	Congressional Action
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR								
Bureau of Land Management								
Management of lands and resources.....	R98-15		1,188	2-20-98			1,188	P.L. 105-174
Oregon and California grant lands.....	R98-16		2,500	2-20-98			2,500	P.L. 105-174
Mineral leasing and associated payments.....	R98-25	5,200		7-24-98				
Bureau of Reclamation								
Water and related resources.....	R98-17		532	2-20-98	11			
Bureau of Mines								
Mineral and minerals.....	R98-18		1,605	2-20-98			1,605	P.L. 105-174
United States Fish and Wildlife Service								
Construction.....	R98-19		1,188	2-20-98			1,188	P.L. 105-174
National Park Service								
Construction.....	R98-20		1,638	2-20-98			1,638	P.L. 105-174
Bureau of Indian Affairs								
Construction.....	R98-21		737	2-20-98			737	P.L. 105-174
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION								
Office of the Secretary								
Payments to air carriers.....	R98-22		2,489	2-20-98			2,489	P.L. 105-174
Payments to air carriers (Airport and airway trust fund).....	R98-23		1,000	2-20-98			1,000	P.L. 105-174
Maritime Administration								
Maritime guaranteed loan (Title XI) program account.....	R98-24		2,138	2-20-98	11, 11			
TOTAL RESCINDINGS		5,200	20,860		4,351		17,276	

¹⁾ Funds were never withheld from obligation.

²⁾ GAO's report to the Congress, dated May 11, 1998, indicated that agency officials stated that funds were being withheld from obligation, but not on an apportionment schedule. Subsequent discussions between OMB and agency officials confirm that there has been no withholding of funds. Rather, the lower demand in recent years for these loan guarantees has resulted in large available balances. For this reason, no withholding was required, either by OMB or by the agency.

ATTACHMENT D
Status of FY 1998 Deferrals - As of August 1, 1998
(Amounts in thousands of dollars)

Agency/Bureau/Account	Deferral Number	Amounts Transmitted Original Request	Subsequent Change (+)	Date of Message	Releases(+) Cumulative OMB/Agency	Congressional Request	Congressional Action	Cumulative Adjustments	Amount Deferred as of 8-1-98
FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT									
International Security Assistance									
Economic support fund and International Fund for Ireland	D98-1	2,330,098		2-3-98	1,423,435			328	906,991
International military education and training	D98-2	43,300		2-3-98	41,900				1,400
Foreign military financing program	D98-3	1,483,903		2-3-98	865,768				618,135
Foreign military financing loan program	D98-4	60,000		2-3-98	0				60,000
Foreign military financing direct loan financing account	D98-5	657,000		2-3-98	0				657,000
Agency for International Development									
International disaster assistance, Executive	D98-6	135,697		2-3-98	20,250				115,447
DEPARTMENT OF STATE									
Other									
United States emergency refugee and migration assistance fund	D98-7	115,640		2-3-98	32,782				82,858
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION									
Limitation on administrative expenses	D98-8	7,369		2-3-98					7,369
TOTAL, DEFERRALS		4,833,007	0		2,384,135			328	2,449,199

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THE DIRECTOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

August 14, 1998

The President

The White House

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available emergency appropriations for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Your approval of this request would make available previously appropriated funds to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to address the needs of States in the South and Southwest that are suffering from extremely hot weather conditions.

Public Law 105-78, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1998, provided \$300 million for LIHEAP, contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. On July 23, 1998, you released \$100 million to provide targeted support to 11 States suffering from particularly hot weather: Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Mississippi. We have continued to monitor conditions across the country, and at this time an additional \$50 million is required to support the ongoing needs associated with the hot weather in these 11 States. HHS analysis of weather conditions to date shows that these States have suffered particularly severe heat.

I recommend that you designate this request for \$50 million as an emergency funding requirement in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. No further congressional action will be required.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Secretary of Health and Human Services in recommending that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

Jacob J. Lew
Director

Enclosure

**EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS: AMOUNTS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED
MADE AVAILABLE BY THE PRESIDENT**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Low income home energy assistance program..... \$50,000,000

Public Law 105-78, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1998 provided \$300,000,000 for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement.

On July 23, 1998, \$100,000,000 was released to support needs in 11 States arising from unusually hot weather conditions in the South and Southwest. At this time, an additional \$50,000,000 of the remaining \$200,00,000 in contingent funding is required to support ongoing needs associated with the hot weather in these 11 States.

